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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the November 1, 2000 Office Action having a three month term for reply.

REMARKS

The Office Action called for an election from among:

Group I:

Claims 1-21 and 29-31, drawn to an isolated polypeptide, a pharmaceutical

composition said polypeptide, classified in class 530, subclass 350;

Group II;

Claim 47, drawn to a method of treatment, classified in class 514, subclass 2.

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